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Operator #1

1 DIXIE TROUBLEMAN: [REDACTED] Chico.
2 NDCC OPERATOR #1: [REDACTED] how the hell
3 are you?
4 DIXIE TROUBLEMAN: I'm awesome. How
5 about yourself?
6 NDCC OPERATOR #1: I'm doing quite all
7 right, you know. No complaints here.
8 DIXIE TROUBLEMAN: That-a-boy. Good to
9 hear.
10 NDCC OPERATOR #1: Yeah. Yeah.
11 Getting warm out there?
12 DIXIE TROUBLEMAN: Yeah, the old truck
13 says 80 degrees. It feels hotter than that,
14 but...
15 NDCC OPERATOR #1: You guys have had
16 some crazy heat up there, huh?
17 DIXIE TROUBLEMAN: Yeah, it's 100 and--
18 right at about 110, 111.
19 NDCC OPERATOR #1: God, that's not the
20 weather you want to be shimmying up and down a
21 pole.
22 DIXIE TROUBLEMAN: No. And I was
23 surprised though. Up here in our area at least,
24 our system -- I was on call this weekend. Our
25 system held together pretty good.

1 NDCC OPERATOR #1: Right. Yeah.

2 You're pretty acclimated to the heat, though,
3 coming from Bakersfield, right?

4 DIXIE TROUBLEMAN: Yeah. And that's
5 the nice thing up here is I have noticed through
6 the solar we don't have (indiscernible).

7 NDCC OPERATOR #1: Oh, really? You
8 guys had a lot down there?

9 DIXIE TROUBLEMAN: Oh, yeah. I was on
10 shifts down there, come on at 2:00 in the
11 afternoon and that is all you did all night was
12 put bad cable, bad (indiscernible). I mean, I
13 come up here, these guys are like, holy shit, you
14 must have worked on a lot of undergrounds, huh?
15 And I go, oh yeah, first thing I do in
16 underground, I just start putting salt
17 (indiscernible).

18 And I just said to [REDACTED] the other
19 night, I said, I can't believe -- well, there's
20 some false indicators. I said, yeah.
21 (indiscernible) tells me put them on the load
22 side, not in (indiscernible). I said, so now I
23 know what section of cable (indiscernible). I
24 said if you put it on the in and out, now I know
25 if it's that section of cable or it's the

1 transformer.

2 NDCC OPERATOR #1: Right.

3 DIXIE TROUBLEMAN: You know, why would
4 you do half of it?

5 NDCC OPERATOR #1: Right. No, I know
6 that. Yeah, it was a big difference for me
7 initially. I was working for a while down in San
8 Jose, De Anza area. There was a ton of
9 undergrounds, you know. And then coming up here,
10 working with some of the guys who weren't so
11 familiar with it, it's a different ball game.

12 DIXIE TROUBLEMAN: Oh, yeah. Yep.

13 NDCC OPERATOR #1: But it definitely
14 helps when everybody's on the same page and it
15 goes a lot smoother.

16 DIXIE TROUBLEMAN: Oh, yeah.

17 Definitely.

18 NDCC OPERATOR #1: But --

19 DIXIE TROUBLEMAN: What can you tell me
20 about this fuse 805? (indiscernible) we've got
21 issues behind the meters or something?

22 NDCC OPERATOR #1: Okay, yeah. So what
23 it was -- let me get over there, Bucks Creek --
24 so what is that? Which dam is it? Cresta?
25 Yeah, so Rock Creek called earlier, and they were

1 asking if we were having trouble on that Bucks
2 Creek 1101. And I told them no, not as far as I
3 can tell. And so he sent his rover out there,
4 and they do in fact not have any station service.
5 And he said that it's something on our primary
6 because the tunnel, I think right there at
7 Cresta, he said it's dark.

8 DIXIE TROUBLEMAN: Yeah. Oh, shit. It
9 just -- they put them fuses -- it takes about an
10 hour and a half once you get on that on that
11 shitty ass road to get to the fuses. I dealt
12 with this the last time they had bad arrester
13 that blew the -- kept blowing the fuses. But it
14 was a slow burn. So I plugged the fuses in, and
15 it'd hold them. By the time I drive all the way
16 around, which takes about two hours, the fuse
17 would blow up top.

18 NDCC OPERATOR #1: Oh, god.

19 DIXIE TROUBLEMAN: Yeah, so instead of
20 -- instead of these guys being smart and putting
21 the fuse (indiscernible) at that switch -- what
22 is it here? Switch -- oh, it ain't that one.
23 It's way up there by the -- instead of putting it
24 there, because it's all line, that the only thing
25 there is, they put fuses up there. Like I said,

1 it's in the worst damn spot.

2 NDCC OPERATOR #1: Right. Yeah, I see
3 there's like a permanent tag that's been placed
4 on my map that says no access to 17733. Are
5 those the hard ones to get to or is it 805?
6 Because it looks like we've got two sets right
7 there.

8 DIXIE TROUBLEMAN: So the switch, what
9 they need to do is put a set of fuses at 641.
10 It's right next to the highway and all it does is
11 (indiscernible). And let me see. 805 -- oh, you
12 know what? No, yeah, the ones you said are the
13 ones up on the hill that are hard to access.

14 NDCC OPERATOR #1: Gotcha. The 17733?

15 DIXIE TROUBLEMAN: Yeah. Yeah.
16 (indiscernible).

17 NDCC OPERATOR #1: Gotcha. Yeah, so I
18 would say, because the breaker's closed, it still
19 has a good load. I don't have any other
20 indication of trouble. I would say it's probably
21 one of those two fuses.

22 DIXIE TROUBLEMAN: Yeah. Maybe I'll
23 luck out and it's the station (indiscernible). I
24 don't think I'll get that lucky, but maybe I
25 will.

1 NDCC OPERATOR #1: Cross your fingers.

2 DIXIE TROUBLEMAN: Yeah. Okay. Hope
3 in one hand and shit in the other and see which
4 one fills up faster.

5 NDCC OPERATOR #1: Exactly. Oh, that's
6 a good one. It's the shit. I take it you're the
7 one heading up there, huh?

8 DIXIE TROUBLEMAN: Yep. So I will be
9 there -- I'll probably be there in about, I don't
10 know, an hour.

11 NDCC OPERATOR #1: Okay. Cool. Right
12 on. Just let me know whatever you got.

13 DIXIE TROUBLEMAN: All right. Will do,

14 [REDACTED]

15 NDCC OPERATOR #1: Okay. Appreciate
16 it.

17 DIXIE TROUBLEMAN: Alright buddy, bye.

18 NDCC OPERATOR #1: Bye.

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